

THE PARDON COLUMN.

On account of the time and trouble expended in looking all through the paper for the pardons issued by Gov. Blease, many people have complained that they are not better classified. Recognizing that a "Pardon Column" would fill a long felt (about nine weeks) want, this column has been set aside for that purpose. While it will be our intention to give under this head all the pardons that are issued by Gov. Blease, we will not guarantee that all of them will be found, for the rapidity with which they are issued will make the job a hard one to keep pace with. However, it is promised that whenever a pardon is made known by the governor, it will be placed under this head. On account of lack of space, only those pardons that have been issued within the past few days will be entered under the head at this time. We do not bind ourselves to publish pardons in this column only. When such pardons of intense interest, such as that of W. T. Jones, are made known, we will reserve the right to publish elsewhere and in a more conspicuous place.

Wednesday.

Columbia, March 22.—Charles Holmway, a negro, serving a life sentence from Edgefield on the charge of murder, was paroled during good behavior.

George Robinson, serving a 5-year sentence from Marlboro for manslaughter, having been convicted in 1909, was paroled during good behavior by the governor.

M. S. Taylor, serving a sentence of five years from Spartanburg, having been convicted in 1908 on the charge of assault and battery, was paroled during good behavior.

The death sentence imposed upon Jackson Cunningham by the Greenwood county court was late today commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Blease. The commutation for the negro was granted upon the recommendation of the jury and well known citizens of Greenwood county.

Thursday.

Columbia, March 23.—A Shelton, negro, serving life sentence for murder, from Charleston, paroled during good behavior.

Paroled, James Murphy, serving a life sentence from Dorchester for murder.

Friday.

Columbia, March 24.—John Black, a former member of the old State dispensary board, is a free man. He was pardoned yesterday by Gov. Blease. "I went home to dinner and carried the letter from Lyon with me. When I read that letter I decided to give John Black a clean slate and when I returned to the office I called my secretary and granted the pardon."

"Did John Black pay a fine of \$3,000?" he was asked.

"I don't know. I don't think he has. Anyway, the pardon clears up everything against him and he now has a clean slate," replied the governor.

John Black was convicted in Chester county on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the State in connection with the State dispensary. He was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

Several weeks ago, Gov. Blease commuted the sentence to five years or a fine must be paid by September 1.

"Did any statement in the letter of Attorney General Lyon cause you to grant a pardon to John Black?" he was asked.

"I don't care to answer the question," replied Gov. Blease, "but I will say that the pardon was granted immediately after the letter was received."

The letter of Attorney General Lyon gave the information that Gov. Blease asked with reference to the prosecution of the grafters in connection with the State dispensary and also as to the right of the attorney general to not press cases.

Gov. Blease today paroled L. G. Marley, who was convicted in York county on the charge of manslaughter and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary. The crime was committed in 1908.

Saturday.

Columbia, March 25.—Gov. Blease today granted one pardon and three paroles. Steve Lindsay, of Edgefield, was given a pardon outright. He was sentenced by Judge Wilson in March, 1908, to six years at hard labor for manslaughter.

Gov. Blease paroled during good behavior W. O. Carpenter, sentenced by Judge Norton at Edgefield, in the fall of 1899 to life imprisonment for murder. A condition of the parole is that Carpenter shall not drink intoxicating beverages. Application for the pardon was made in person by Carpenter's father, who was a member of the Seventh South Carolina regiment in the war between the States.

Gov. Blease paroled during good behavior, on condition that he leave the State and never return, and that he report to Asa E. Smith, of Hoboken, N. J., who has enclosed money for his

passage. W. L. Fleming, sentenced at Orangeburg in the spring of 1907 to seven years at hard labor for assault and battery with intent to kill.

Sunday.

Columbia, March 26.—The governor rests after a week's labor. No pardons.

IN MEMORIAM

Stobo J. Simpson.

At a recent meeting of the board of trustees of Converse College, held in Spartanburg, the following resolutions of respect were adopted in memory of the late Stobo J. Simpson, a prominent attorney and native of this county:

Stobo James Simpson died October 28, 1910.

Mr. Simpson was elected as a member of the board of trustees of Converse College, November 4, 1899, to a vacancy occasioned by the death of D. E. Converse. His record as a trustee is written on the pages of our minute book, and in the hearts and lives not only of our board but also of all those who have been connected with the college; for all loved and admired him. His great conservative, Christian judicial heart and mind were depended upon to suggest the best and wisest solution of questions vital to the progress and welfare of the college.

"We loved him as few men are loved. We mourn no blighted hopes nor broken plan. With him whose life stood rounded and approved. In the full growth and stature of a man."

Resolved: That in the death of Stobo J. Simpson the board of trustees of Converse College has lost one of its most loved and useful members; the college one of its most devoted and helpful managers; the city and state, a citizen of great purity of life and character; the church a Christian; the home, its life and light. "Beautiful life is that whose span is spent in duty to God and man."

Beautiful calm when the course is run. Beautiful twilight at set of sun; Beautiful death with a life well done."

Resolved: That while our profoundest sympathy goes out to his bereaved wife and relatives, we can rejoice with them in the assurance that he is not dead but has gone on to a higher and better life to engage in activities and happiness for which foundations were laid in this life.

"Be comforted ye loved who weep. He lives with God, 'he is not dead.'"

Resolved: That a copy of these memorial words be presented by the secretary of our board to the family of Mr. Simpson and that they be recorded as a part of the minutes of this meeting.

N. F. WALKER.

GEO. W. NICHOLS.

JNO. A. LAW.

Committee.

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